

**641—3.2 (135) Purpose.** The overall purpose of this chapter is to establish administrative rules in accordance with Iowa Code section 135.131 relative to the following:

1. Universal hearing screening of all newborns and infants in Iowa.
2. Facilitating the transfer of data to the department to enhance the capacity of agencies and practitioners to provide services to children and their families.
3. Establishing procedures for infants who were not screened or do not pass their initial hearing screening to receive appropriate follow-up to determine if the infants have normal hearing or have hearing loss.
4. Establishing the procedure for distribution of funds to support the purchase of hearing aids and audiologic services for children.

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